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MURF-GRAMS

ELECTION ballots are included in this issue for all members to vote their choice of the Nominating Committee's selection or use the write-in space on the ballot for the person of your choice. The offices of Secretary, Treasurer and Vice-Presidents are not listed this year. The Directors agreed to this in order to retain the unity of leadership during our growing period. So much is being formulated at this time that we could lose continuity of our efforts to do other wise. Please note that all ballots are to be mailed to W4FRU this year. Since the ballots are going to our editor, this would be a good time to send any material for the news letter or suggestions for the organization.

FINANCIAL report will be given after the elections which coincides with the end of our year. (September 30) The increase in postage outlay was due primarily to the Newsletter being printed every two months. The additional issues were to be supported by donations, and at first they rolled in, however, the interest appears to have waned and we have had to dip into other funds to support this effort. If donations received are not sufficient to produce additional Newsletters, we will revert to four issues per year. Remember that our objective is not to print Newsletters, but to help DX stations. The Newsletter just lets the members know how well we are doing the job. We have also generated a two to three year supply of QSL stuffers and certificates which reflects in an increase in printing costs this year.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP. Response to the Life Membership in the last issue has been most positive. However, we failed to mention at that time that there is a 25% discount for husband/wife Life membership when they both apply at the same time. If you pay your dues in advance for more than one year, each full year paid in advance may be deducted from the \$100.00 Life Membership. If you send a check of less than \$100.00 for Life Membership, please inform the Secretary of the advance you have paid so that he can check the books and keep the records correct. Contrary to information given in the previous Newsletter, a new Life Membership certificate has been printed for those applying for Life membership. Life members will retain their same membership number but the letter "L" will be added.

ASSISTANCE will be provided for a 7 Oscar and 4 Whisky operations if all goes as planned. Ron, ZL1AMO should be operating from Tokelaus about now. Franz, DJ9ZB, supplied us with all the information we need to get a native of a semi-rare country on the air. 3B9FR has a license but no money to acquire a station. (PCI about \$1040.00 per year) INDEXA is sending a complete station to get 3B9FR on the air.

My call appears on the ballot again this year at the request of the nominating committee. If Murphy's Law takes effect, I want to thank everyone for the fine assistance I have received this year. Its not the best job I can think of but you made it a lot easier for me.

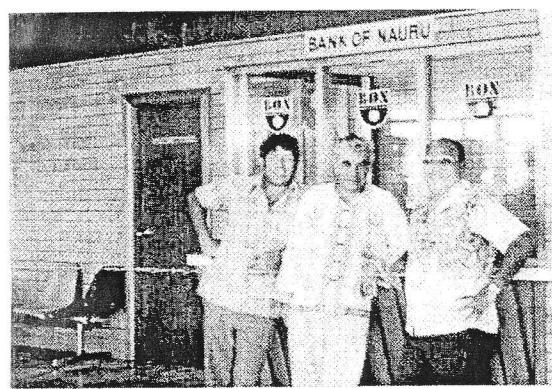
TNX/73 Murf W4WMQ

A special thanks to the following amateurs who gave extra assistance to INDEXA. K1ZLA, VK5WO, W6SN, WB6APX, W3ACE, LU1BR, W6PGK, KD0JL, KA6V, NJ2D, W7FPT, N7FAK, K2JF, W6MIO, WA8HFS, KC9CQ, W6FZI, NI7E, KT9P, WG6P, DJ9ZB, W4MPY, WB6UBR, NJ0C, KA6KKN, W4HNK, W4WIJ, WB5INB, YC0EBS, W5UYD.

QSL manager volunteers: KA1ND, WB6UBR

John's propagation forecast for CQ DX Contest - Excellent all bands world wide. I will be on vacation so Murphy will make it happen.

PERSONALITIES



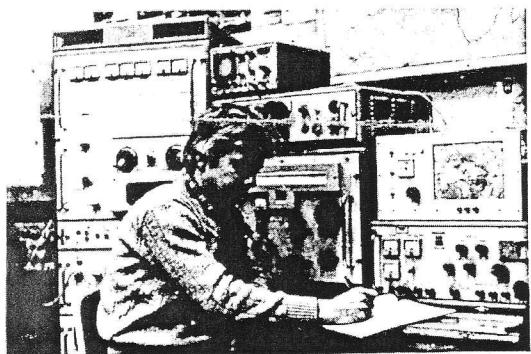
PARADISE

Left to right - C21FS Frank, H44IA Bryan, C21RK Jim. One might wonder if there is a connection between the name above this group's heads and the size of their signals. Bryan, H44IA, writes "Have been a ham for over 40 years and on SSB since 1950. Returned to CW after being AMT for about 35 years. (Ex Navy operator WW II) Still rusty but trying. Probably will not fully recapture the feel of the key, but enjoy rag chewing in short burst. Favorate 7001-5 also work novices 21125 and 7109. On good days look for me on 1825.

listening 1833. About my other life. I am a Lawyer-economist and after being in charge of a research team for six years, I wish drew to a spot where I do not have to keep up with the bright young number crunchers. I like to use computers and not abuse their power. I am currently assigned to the Solomon Islands by the International Monetary Fund, out of Washington, D.C., as an advisor and have been here about 2½ years. Look for me around 7188 at 0800Z for a rag chew." 73's Bryan

LAND OF THE MIDNIGHT SUN

The Vikings started the whole idea of DXing when they went in search of rare and exotic places, and the tradition continues. This product of the midnight sun is none other than the voice of Conakry, 3X4EX. Arild Fotland sometimes operates as LA2EX from his home town and can often be found on or around Snooky's net which meets daily on 14183. Arild paid a surprise visit to your editors JTH and it was only fitting to pump him up in preparation for his next rare country assignment.



MEMORIES

This station appearance could bring tears to some of our old timers - loads of meters on the afterburner, big knobs on the receiver that you can get hold of, and not so many that you can't keep track of what they do. Like most of us, Klous, YJ3XB, needs all the horse power that he can garner to snag the rare ones in the pile ups. He is close to his goal of 5BDXCC and the sun spot low should help him in that respect.

When working DX stations via nets, lists or freelancing, use standard or accepted phonetics. Save the cute ones for the state side gang.

TRIVIA last issue: The cage weighs the same with bird flying or sitting.

RARE BREED



You may not recognize the face, but the call sign is familiar to those of you who frequent the INDEXA net. Dick, KA3HXC, is one of our net controllers, a job analogous to a wild animal trainer at times. It's guys like Dick, who can keep their "cool" when things seem to be falling apart, that make the nets a success. Dick was licensed in 1981, upgraded in 1983 and has over 260 countries under his belt in a period of two years chasing DX. He has been married to Nadine for 32 Years and they have a son and a daughter. When Dick is not chasing DX or managing a net, he pursues his occupation of 25 years in the GM truck and bus business in Baltimore, MD.

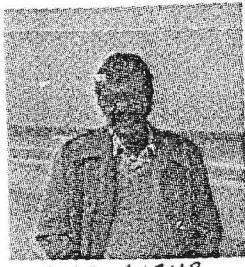
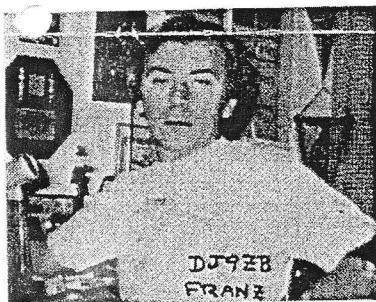
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President	W4WMQ	YES	NO	V-Directors-1 year	YES	NO
Directors-1 year				CE3GN		
VS6CT				3V8PS		
VK6RU				DJ9ZB		
J37AH				IN3RZY		
Directors-2 years				VE7JX		
OA4OS				W3ACE		
LA8CJ				V-Directors-2 years		
WRITE-IN	POSITION	S1	E9	KH6WU		
		P8	T5	VU2CK		
				ZL1AMO		
				FK8CK		
				LU1BR		

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will not be voted upon this term
as per the Board of Directors.

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Aims & Objectives:

1. To promote good will and fellowship among all radio amateurs in the world via his amateur radio hobby.
2. To provide amateur radio equipment for the deserving amateurs throughout the world, and to support DX-ing in whatever manner will give the greatest enjoyment for the most people.

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3. To work with all National and International groups and Associations in the promotion of amateur radio and international fellowship.
4. To verify that all projects supported by INDEXA are legal and ethical.

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Membership Number _____

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I agree with the Amateur Code of Ethics and I am willing to help others as I help myself.

Check one: New Member Renewal Member # _____

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